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Re:

RFI - Yosemite Creek Superfund Site Redding Petroleum, Inc., aka Industrial Oil

Dear Mr. Hanson:

Your letter directed to George E. Redding, former principal of Redding Petroleum, Inc., and Martin Gonsalves, attorney, dated October 15, 2009, has been forwarded to me for my attention. Please be advised that I have now been retained to represent Redding Petroleum, Inc. with respect to the issues addressed in your letter. Please direct any further contacts and/or correspondence to my attention.

As a preliminary matter, please be advised that George Redding is now deceased and Redding Petroleum, Inc. has ceased operations. To date, no documents responsive to the Request for Information have been located. The only exception would be a copy of the Settlement Agreement and Consent Decree filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California relating to the Bay Area Drum Property and/or Site on July 11, 2001, copies of which I assume you already have.

I am continuing my efforts with Redding Petroleum's prior counsel, Martin Gonsalves, and the surviving relatives of Mr. Redding to determine whether or not they have possession of any records, which could be covered by the Request for Information. If and when such records are located, I will provide them to you.

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On the other hand, if you are in possession of any documents suggesting that Redding Petroleum, Inc. and/or Industrial Oil have any connection to the Yosemite Creek Superfund Site, I would request that you provide me with copies of these documents.

Thank you for your attention to the above. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

Very truly yours,

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